

Office of the Attorney General State of Texas

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OR91-280

Dear Ms. Fuller:

You ask whether certain information is subject to required public disclosure under the Texas Open Records Act, article 6252-17a, V.T.C.S. Your request was assigned ID# 11994.

The Office of Child Support Enforcement in Conroe received an open records request from the former husband of a custodial parent for a copy of all files concerning his case file. You have submitted to this office as responsive to his request the "case activity log," which you contend is made confidential by section 76.006 of the Human Resources Code.

Chapter 76 of the Human Resources Code outlines the duties of the Attorney General's Office in relation to, *inter alia*, child support collection. Section 76.006 provides

(a) All files and records of services provided under this chapter, including information concerning a custodial parent, noncustodial parent, [and] child . . . are confidential.

The requested information is clearly made confidential by section 76.006. Because section 3(a)(1) of the Open Records Act requires the withholding of information deemed confidential by statute, you must withhold the requested information in its entirety.

Because prior published open records decisions resolve your request, we are resolving this matter with this informal letter ruling rather than with a published

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open records decision. If you have questions about this ruling, please refer to OR91-280.

Yours very truly,

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